

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2231 - HB 2880

March 2, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises the language designating who may enter a school bus. Adds language clarifying that the Class A misdemeanor charged for a violation of this section may include imprisonment and a minimum fine of \$500. Prohibits persons other than students assigned to the bus, the staff of the school assigned to the bus, or the bus driver, from entering onto a school bus without first obtaining authorization from the bus driver. Authorizes a local education agency (LEA) or public charter school to post signs on their school busses to notify persons of the potential trespass violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The revisions to the language establishing the conditions for persons to enter a school bus, and the punishment for any such violation, will not result in an increase of criminal offenses.
- Any additional impact on the courts, incarceration, or fine revenue will be not significant.
- LEAs and public charter schools will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- LEAs and public charter schools will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No significant impact to state or local operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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